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For: SINGLE-CHAIN MULTIPLE ANTIGEN-BINDING MOLECULE, ITS  
PREPARATION AND USE

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Wehbe for the interview on November 25, 2003. This Reply is in response to the Advisory Action mailed July 24, 2003, in addition to issues raised during the Interview in relation to the captioned Application. An Appeal Brief was due August 10, 2003; however, the period for filing the Appeal Brief has been extended to January 10, 2004, by the attached Petition for a five month Extension of Time and payment of the appropriate fee. Applicants believe that no further fee is required; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account 08-1641.

Please amend the Application as set forth in the Amendments below.